In the year 1990-91 the following financial assistance was given to Orissa:-

i) for mushroom processing and infrastructure development Rs. 2.14 lakhs.

ii) for dehydration and picking and canning of mushrooms Rs.21.149 lakhs

iii) for meeting the raw material requirements of the processing units-Rs.18.50 lakhs.

iv) for meeting expenditure on advertising and publicity of mushrooms - Rs. 0.47 lakhs

(c) There are no specific proposals pertaining to Cuttack district or Orissa lying pending with the Government.

Development Scheme of Orissa

188. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa have sent during the last three years some development scheme to the planning Commission for approval;

(b) if so, the details and locations of these schemes; and

(c) the details of action taken on each such scheme by the Planning Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a). No Development scheme received from the Government of Orissa is pending in the Planning Commission for approval.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[English]

Drug Price Control Order

189. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Durg Price Control Order has been fully implemented by the Government;

(b) whether the benefits of the customs duty concessions to as many as 145 drugs announced by the Government during the past three years have been passed on to the consumers by reducing the price of the medicines;

(c) if no, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the prices of almost every drug have been increased by the drug companies;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government monitor the impact of customs duty concessions of the prices of drugs; and

(g) if not the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The main provisions of the Drugs (Prices control) Order, 1987 have been implemented.

(b), (c), (f) and (g) Government has not reduced duty on 145 bulk drugs during the last three years. Customs duty was reduced in more than 145 drug intermediates in the last there years from 115% to 90%. This reduction in duty is allowed to encourage the production of bulk drugs from more basic stage, and is not linked necessarily in every case to reduction in the price of the bulk drug:

(d) and (e) The prices of scheduled drugs are fixed from time to time in accordance with the procedures and norms laid down under the DPCO, 1987. Regarding non-scheduled drugs, Government keeps a constant watch on the movements of their prices. Whenever any abnormal increase is noticed by the Government, it intervenes in the matter.

Recognition to the Trade Unions

190. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the news item captioned "16 trade unions claim central recognition" appearing in the September 24, 1991 and state :

(a) whether sixteen trade unions have staked their claim to become Central Trade Union; and

(b) if so. the reaction of the Government thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Thirteen trade union organisations have submitted their claims relating to the membership of trade unions which are affiliated to them, by the stipulated date of August 31, 1991, for the purpose of being recognised as central trade union organisations.

(b) The claims are being verified in accordance with the Procedure established for the purpose.

[*Translation*]

Illegal Possessing of Lands In Villages of Delhi

191. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHRY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the schemes under th second 'master-plan' are not likely to be implemented due to illegal possession of lands in villages under Delhi some companies;

(b) if so, the whether the Government have taken any action so far to vacate the illegal possession form the said villages; and

(c) if so, the details thereof; and if not the reasons therefor and the time by which any action is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c). DDA has intimated that it takes care of the land after it is acquired and handed over to it by the Land Acquisition Collector/ Delhi Administration (Land & Building Department). Some cases of sub-division of agricultural lands beyond the abadi area may occure, but precise details are not available.

[*English*]

Reconstitution of Island Development Authority

192. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Island Development Authority which was constituted in 1986 has become defunct;

(b) whether the Government propose to reconstitute the same Island Development Authority in its old form;

(c) if so, when it is likely to be reconstituted; and

(d) if not, ht reasons therefor?